

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re PATENT APPLICATION of: )  
Roger NOËL ) Confirmation No.: 7999  
Application No.: 10/533,873 ) Group Art Unit: 3721  
Filed: May 19, 2006 ) Examiner: Chukwurah, Nathaniel C.  
FOR: ARRANGEMENT FOR )  
CONTROLLING ROCK DRILLING )

**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD**  
**OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Office Action dated September 26, 2008 rejecting examined claims of the above-identified application.

The below are appropriate:

1. A timely response to the final rejection was filed on December 23, 2008.
2. Notice of Appeal Fee (\$540/\$270) enclosed: \$ 540.00

3.  **Fees in the amount of \$540.00 are to be charged to a credit card**
4.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0573.

Respectfully Submitted,

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